

Vacancies.

Vacancies in the office of mayor or mayor pro tempore or in the city council or any other elective office, except that of members of the school board, shall be filled by the council for the remainder of the unexpired term or terms subject to the restriction that no vacancy in the council shall be filled from any ward which already has two councilmen.

Salaries of Mayor and Councilmen

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SEC. 29. The mayor shall receive for his services a salary of one thousand two hundred dollars (\$1,200.00) per year, payable monthly, which shall not be increased or diminished during the term for which he is elected and he shall receive no other compensation from the city. The salary of each councilman shall be two hundred dollars (\$200.00) per year, payable monthly.

Control of Officers and Employees

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SEC. 30. The heads of departments and employees of the city shall perform such duties as may be required of them by the city manager under general regulation and supervision of the city council and the employees of said city hereafter employed shall have been residents of said city at least two years prior to their employment, except that this shall not apply to technical, or specially trained, employees.

Powers of the City

General Municipal Powers.

SEC. 31. The city council shall continue under existing laws to have power to make and provide for the execution of such ordinances for the city as they may deem proper not inconsistent with the laws of the land, and the City of Charlotte shall have all the powers granted to municipalities by the General Laws of the State of North Carolina as the same may now or hereafter be enacted.

Express powers enumerated.

SEC. 32. In addition to the powers now or hereafter granted to municipalities under the General Laws of the State of North Carolina, the City of Charlotte shall have and retain those express powers granted to it by Section forty-eight and the subsections thereof of Chapter three hundred forty-two of the Private Laws of nineteen hundred seven which, together with certain other additional powers hereby granted to said city, are as follows:

Payment of obligations.

(1) To provide for the payment of any existing legal indebtedness and of any binding obligation that may from time to time be made by the city, and to appropriate funds for that purpose.

Construction and maintenance of sidewalks, etc.

(2) To establish, construct and keep in repair, streets, sidewalks, bridges, culverts, drains and conduits in the city, to regulate the construction and use of same, and to abate such nuisances and punish any person, firm or corporation for obstructing the same or encroaching thereon.